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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN - VISIT BY SMITHSONIAN SECRETARY RIPLEY

REFERENCE: CAIRO 1420

1. DURING WASHINGTON VISIT FOR OPENING TUTANKHAMUN EXHIBITION, GAMAL ABDUL MOKHTAR INVITED SECRETARY OF SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION DILLON RIPLEY AND MRS. RIPLEY TO VISIT EGYPT IN SPRING OF 1977. DR. MOKHTAR FOLLOWED UP WITH CABLED INVITATION TO THE RIPLEYS AS GUESTS OF EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT AND REQUESTED RIPLEYS PROPOSE DATE AND ITINERARY.

2. SECRETARY RIPLEY WROTE DR. MOKHTAR ON JANUARY 10 PROPOSING ONE WEEK OR LONGER VISIT BEGINNING EARLY APRIL INCLUDING DISCUSSIONS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN CULTURAL FIELDS ESPECIALLY ARCHEOLOGY, A VISIT TO THE CAIRO ZOO, AND
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POSSIBLY VISITS TO ASWAN AND PHILAE. RIPLEY ALSO REQUESTED SUGGESTIONS FROM MOKHTAR.

3. RIPLEY NEEDS EARLY CONFIRMATION SUITABILITY OF EARLY APRIL FOR EGYPTIAN VISIT SO THAT HE CAN MAKE OTHER COMMITMENTS FIRM. WHILE IT IS APPRECIATED THAT MOKHTAR HAS NOT HAD MUCH TIME SINCE RECEIPT OF RIPLEY LETTER TO

WORK OUT DETAILS OF VISIT, SMITHSONIAN WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE ANY EFFORTS OF EMBASSY TO DETERMINE FROM MOKHTAR SUITABILITY OF PROPOSED DATE AND NUMBER OF DAYS IN EGYPT THAT FINAL SCHEDULE IS LIKELY TO REQUIRE.

4. SECRETARY RIPLEY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW HOW THIS SCHEDULE WOULD MESH WITH PLANS FOR REOPENING USIS CAIRO CENTER, (PER REFTTEL) AND WHETHER THERE MIGHT NOT BE OPPORTUNITY FOR HIS PARTICIPATION IN PLANNED CEREMONIES.
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